

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the above preliminary amendment.

Amendments to the Specification

The present application is a divisional of an original parent application. A section entitled "CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" has been added after the title indicating that the present application is a divisional of prior Application No. 09/956,431 filed September 20, 2001.

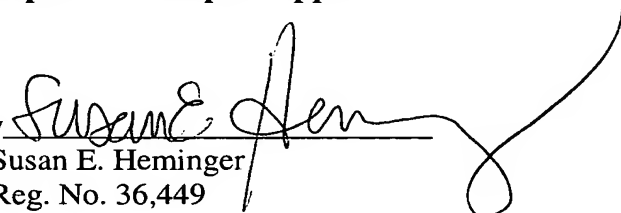
Amendments

Claims 1-16, 22-23 are cancelled and Claims 17-21 are remaining.

Respectfully submitted,

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